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In Re Application of: ABDEL-HADY et al.)
Serial No.: 10/528,483) Group Art Unit: 2834
Filed: March 22, 2005) Examiner: LAM, Thanh
For: RING-SPINNING SYSTEM FOR)
MAKING YARN HAVING A)
MAGNETICALLY-ELEVATED RING)

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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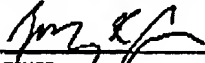
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Sir:

This is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed December 12, 2005. This Response is believed to be timely. However, if any extension of time is required, please consider this a request therefor. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees due or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-1513.

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Response to Restriction Requirement:

Applicant elects, with traverse, to continue prosecution of Claims 1-12 (Group I). Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.143, applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement for reasons set forth below.

Section 803 of the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure (M.P.E.P.) sets out two criteria for proper requirement of restriction: (1) the inventions must be independent or distinct as claimed; *and* (2) there must be a *serious burden* on the Examiner if restriction is required. Applicant does not contest that the first criteria, namely that the inventions must be independent or distinct as claimed, is met.

Applicant respectfully submits, however, that the second criteria specified by M.P.E.P. § 803 is not met. Namely, the Examiner would not be seriously burdened by examination of the claims of Groups I, II and III together. The inventions defined by various claims within Groups I, II and III are significantly interrelated. As such, in order to properly examine the inventions defined by claims in Group I, it will likely be necessary for the Examiner to search art relevant to claims in Groups II and III as well. Accordingly, there will be no significant additional burden by examination of the claims of Groups I, II, and III together.

Respectfully submitted,



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